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TO : Chief, St/I/R.
Thru : Chief, D/S.
FROM : Chief, S/COM.
SUBJECT: Requirement.

Background

While in Copenhagen recently, the Economic Attache in the American Embassy there informed the writer that over the years (1951-55) he had forwarded to the Department of State a considerable amount of literature, graphs, and maps on the Great Northern Telegraph Company, a private Danish company with headquarters at Copenhagen, which operates a telegraph system around northern Europe and a wireline telegraph facility from Helsinki, Finland, to Nagasaki, Japan, via Moscow, the TransSiberian Railroad, and Vladivostok.

None of these materials reached this office, probably because, on the surface, the materials were considered to concern Denmark, a Non-Bloc country.

It is not known whether these materials would repose in OIR or some other segment in the Department of State.

Requirement

1. Copies of all materials on or concerning the Great Northern Telegraph Company of Copenhagen, Denmark.
2. A list of those materials for which copies are not or could not be made readily available.
3. As an alternative to (2), request opportunity to research this material in the Department of State, assuming it is all accumulated in one place.

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